

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant(s): Yoshihiko MASAKI et al. Confirmation

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COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR ORGAN PRESERVATION

## AMENDMENT ACCOMPANIED BY REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants herein respond to the Final Office Action mailed August 30, 2006, for the captioned application. The deadline for response has been extended to February 28, 2007, by filing the enclosed Petition for a three month Extension of Time and paying the requisite fees.

Accompanying this response is a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed under Rule 114, and appropriate government fees. Accordingly, entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks that follow are requested. In consideration thereof, the Examiner is respectfully urged to withdraw all outstanding rejections and pass the Application to allowance. In the event that any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 08-1641.

Please amend the application as set forth in the amendments below.

**Amendments** begin on page 2 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this response.